



NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th February
2022

A message from Mrs Hoare...

We have had a great week at Diamond Hall.

I'm sure all parents and pupils will be happy to know that our playground redevelopment is almost complete! We will be sharing information regarding our grand opening ceremony shortly.

I would like to remind all parents/carers of the importance of reading at home with your child. 'Everybody every night' is our school's motto for reading. We ask that you read at home with your child for 5 mins every night (or 5 times per week).

Kind Regards,
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Let's zoom in on Y6 this week...

On Friday, year 6 had an exciting morning listening to Helen Rutter talk about her new book, 'The Boy Whose Wishes Came True'. The children have just finished reading her debut novel, 'The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh'. They were thrilled to listen to Helen talk about what inspires her to write, the writing process and how to keep being resilient when things get hard!



Dates for your diary:

Monday 7 th & Tuesday 8 th	Cyber-safety and cyber-bullying workshop
Monday 7 th – Friday 11 th	Children's Mental Health week
Friday 18 th February	Break up for February half term

<http://www.diamondhalljuniors.co.uk>

The boys football team kicked off with their first tournament of 2022 on Tuesday, playing two games and winning one of them with a cracking score of 5-2.





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Spring Term 1, week 4

School Attendance

It is imperative that pupils attend school regularly and that they are on time. We aim for **97% attendance and no late sessions**. Here's how attendance looks across school this week – keep an eye out for our attendance winners in yellow!

Lower Key Stage 2

Class:	3AH	3AC	3HL	4CE	4SI	4KW
Attendance:	97.2%	88.8%	92.4%	92.5%	97.2%	99.1%
Lates:	1	2	1	2	0	0

Upper Key Stage 2

Class:	5AR	5BH	5LC	6NKAH	6CC	6DG
Attendance:	95%	95.7%	88.3%	99.3%	92.2%	95.3%
Lates:	1	1	1	0	1	0

Please can we remind parents to contact the office if your child is going to be absent from school. This should be done before 8:30 am.

If attendance becomes a concern, medical evidence will be asked for to support the absence.

CONGRATULATIONS to 12 pupils who were recognised by their teachers and the school's Values ambassadors for being ready, respectful and safe. We hope you enjoy the Sunderland V Doncaster match on Saturday 5th February with Mrs Bendelow, Mrs Woods and Mr Nord!

Important messages

Change to times of the day: a reminder that from next week there will be changes to the LKS2 start/finish times:

- Year 3 will start at 8:40am and finish at 3:05pm
- Year 4 will start at 8:45am and finish at 3:10pm





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Celebrations!

Each Friday, we recognise and celebrate pupils' achievements in our Celebration Assembly.

Reader of the Week: this award recognises pupils for their home reading. Pupils who have taken part in **Everybody, Every Night**, reading five times per week at home with an adult and having their reading diary signed get to read in their year group reading area with a friend for their choice for the following week!

Star Reader: this award recognises pupil's achievements on **Accelerated Reader**, our online reading platform.

Mathematician of the Week: this award recognises pupils' **mathematical reasoning** in lessons. Staff identify a member of their maths group who have shown excellent mathematical reasoning. Pupils are awarded with a 'Mathematics Award' sticker.

Diamond Squad: this award is highly desired by pupils and comes with some fantastic privileges around school such as lunch at the magnificent '**Diamond Squad**' table with a chosen friend for the week and extra playtime! It is awarded to pupils who have showcased our school values this week.

See below the awards given in this week's Celebration Assembly:

Teacher	Reader of the Week	Star Reader	Mathematician of the Week	Diamond Squad
Mrs Laydon	Shay	Annie	Jayden	Annie
Mrs Hubery	Sophia	Joshua	Sophie-Leigh	David
Mrs Crawford	Azeem	Aiden	Ethan	Oluwatarmilore
Mr Woods	Mason	Dariola	Ekram	Ashton
Mrs Edwards	Shadrach	Shadrach	Charlie S	Jeremiah
Miss Inkster	Khushi	Jake	Jack	Jayden-Lee
Mr McDonald	Corey	Eva	Aridunu	Maxwell
Mrs Haydon	Dominic	Joshua	Tyler	Sumaiya
Miss Robinson	Jamius	Sonny	Paige	Adnan
Mr Crowther	Jobel	Leighton	Leighton	Heidi
Mr Guthrie	Mary-Jane	Deborah	Sofia	Deborah
Mrs Kendrick/Herron	Ethan	Harry	Grant	Kara
Mr Calvert			Heidi	
Miss Tallintire			Elma	
Miss Coates			Logan	

